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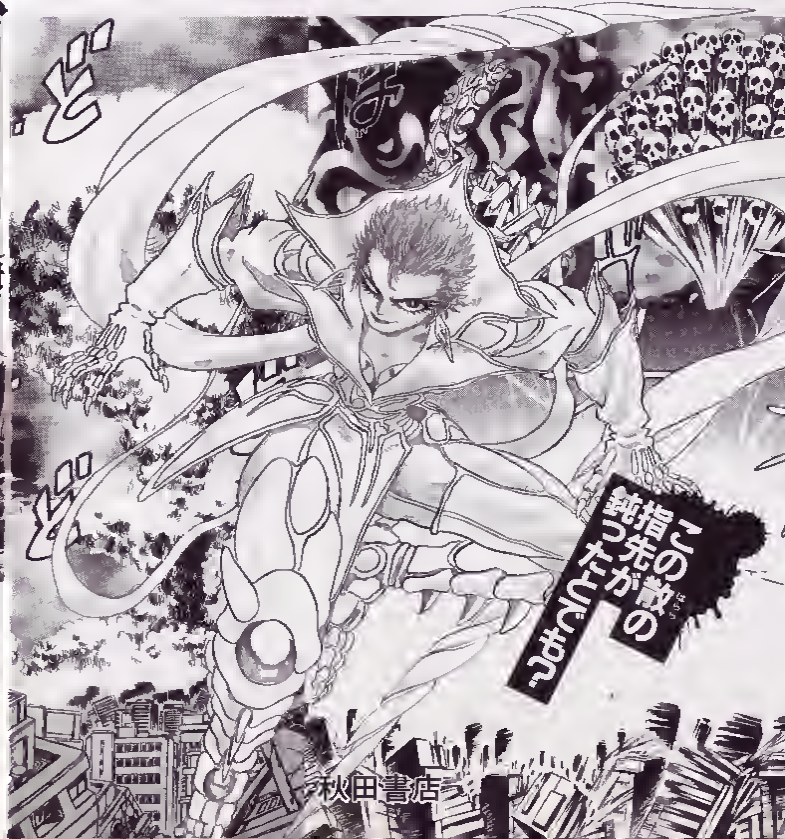

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I KNOW THAT NO MATTER HOW MUCH I WORRY AND PRAY, I CAN'T HELP HAGAKURE, BUT... BUT STILL, I PRAY FOR HIM. HAGAKURE, DON'T LOSE!

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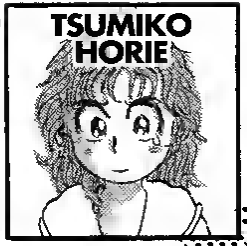
⑦ TO DEFEAT THE FORTIFIED ARMOR SHELL SHIN, KAKUGO DRAWS OUT THE IRON BALLS THAT WERE IMBEDDED INTO HIS BODY.

⑤ KAKUGO HAGAKURE HAS BEEN TRAINED MENTALLY AND PHYSICALLY SINCE HE WAS AN ADOLESCENT, SO HE HAS NO FEAR OF DEATH.



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RIGHT NOW HAGAKURE IS...

HAGAKURE IS THE MOST PRECIOUS AND IMPORTANT PERSON IN THE WORLD TO ME. WITH TREMENDOUS COURAGE AND STRENGTH, HAGAKURE WENT TO THE CASTLE WHERE THAT EVIL LORD LIVES.

I DON'T HAVE ESP, SO I HAVE NO CLUE WHAT KIND OF MONSTER HE'S FIGHTING, BUT I HAVE A FEELING THAT SOMETHING VERY BAD WILL HAPPEN.

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EPISODE FORTY-FIVE,
ADVANCED ANTI-ARMOR

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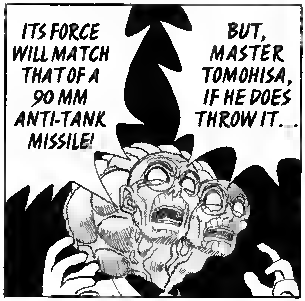
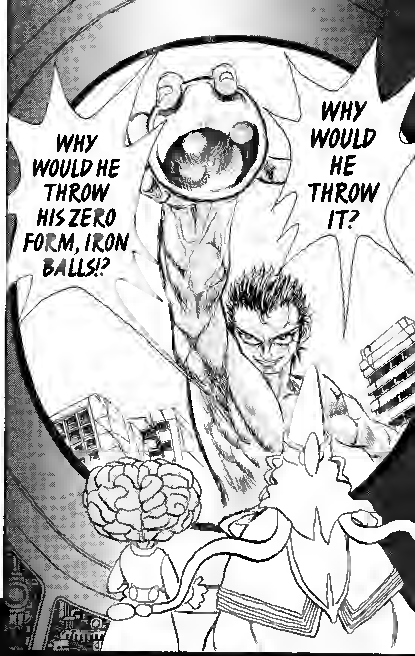
NO PROBLEM!
HOLD ONTO THAT THOUGHT!
AMATEUR!
ARE YOU GOING TO THROW THINGS AT ME NOW?
DO YOUR BEST TO DODGE IT, BOLT!
NOT EVEN SHIN COULD WALK AWAY FROM A SINGLE HIT OF THESE IRON BALLS!


ITS FORCE WILL MATCH THAT OF A 90 MM ANTI-TANK MISSILE!
BUT, MASTER TOMOHISA, IF HE DOES THROW IT...

NO MATTER HOW POWERFUL HE IS HE WILL NEVER BEAT SHIN


WHY WOULD HE THROW HIS ZERO FORM, IRON BALLS!?
WHY WOULD HE THROW IT?

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JUSTICE!

COUNTER ATTACK!
YOU WILL JUST DIG YOUR OWN GRAVE! KAKUGO HAGAKURE!
AH!

TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT!
TAKE THIS!
HUMPH!

THE ZERO FORM IRON BALL BURIES ITSELF DEEP!
NG...
COUNTER-

GAUGH
BOLT SPITS BLOOD!
NHGG!?
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WHA—
WHY WASN'T IT REPELLED?

DO YOU STILL THINK THIS IS NOT A PROBLEM?
HOW DOES IT FEEL, BOLT?
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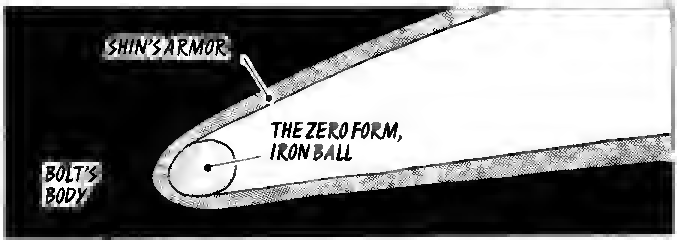

THE NEXT MOMENT!

IT EXPANDS AND SHARPENS LIKE AN ANCHOR!
ZERO FORM, IRON BALLS
ADVANCED ANTI-ARMOR MODE!

MASTER BOLT!
IMPOSSIBLE TO DEFEND!
HOW COULD THIS BE? WHY IS HE ABLE TO USE AN ANTI-ARMOR ATTACK...
BUT I WON'T LET YOU USE IT!

I WILL NEVER LET YOU USE SUCH AN ATTACK ON MASTER HARARA'S ARMOR...
..THE MASTER-
PIECE OF STEEL, KASUMI!!
!
I MUST ABSORB ALL OF THEM!

NO PROBLEM!
ENOUGH SAID!
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!
A MERE TEN OR TWENTY PETTY TRICKS...

TRY
THIS
ONE!

AAAH!
CERTAINLY!

UBUH!
EXPLODE!
AAAAH!

BOLT TOOK A TOTAL OF SIX HITS OF THE ADVANCED ANTI-ARMOR ATTACK.
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BUT OUR BATTLE HAS JUST BEGUN!

EPISODE FORTY-SIX, ANTI-SUBLIMATION

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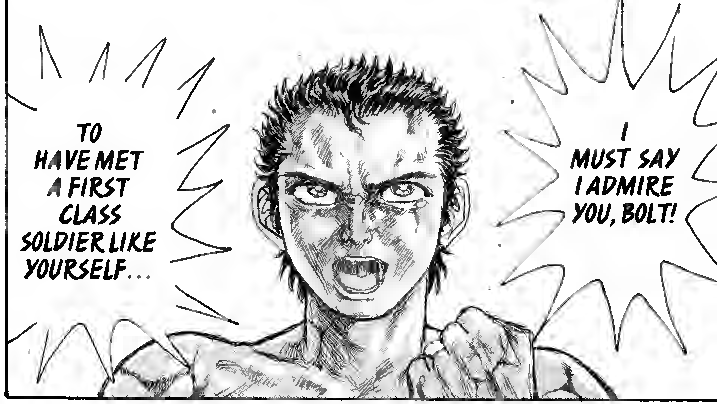
I'VE EXPELLED MY INTESTINES TO MAKE ROOM FOR ADVANCED ANTI-ARMOR ROUNDS!
PROBLEM SOLVED!
HMM...
WHAT FEARFUL DETERMINATION...


TO HAVE MET A FIRST CLASS SOLDIER LIKE YOURSELF...
I MUST SAY I ADMIRE YOU, BOLT!

...AM HONORED TO FIGHT YOU!
I, WHO WAS BORN INTO THE HOUSE OF WAR...
KAKUGO HAGAKURE
AGE 5

I AM NOT DEAD YET!
IT IS STILL TOO EARLY FOR MY EULOGY!
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DON'T MOCK ME, PUNK!
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YOU ARE IN NO POSITION TO...
...GIVE COMPLIMENTS TO YOUR NEMESIS!

I HAVE NO INTENTION OF FLATTERING YOU!
AND TO PROVE IT TO YOU.
I AM GIVING YOU EVERYTHING I'VE GOT...

EVERY-
THING!
GHH!
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CONCEIT-
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IS THAT
THE BEST
YOU CAN
DO?

YOU ARE NOT QUALIFIED TO EVEN CHALLENGE MASTER HARARA!
SUBLIMA-TION!

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ZERO
FORM,
IRON
BALLS

HEAT PROOF BARRIER MODE!
THE IRON BALL BECOMES A BARRIER TO ENVELOPE SUBLIMATION!
HOWEVER!

THE HEATPROOF BARRIER MELTED!
IT'S TOO THIN!
GWAH
EXPLOSION!

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THE CAMERA CLEARLY CAPTURED THE MOMENT HIS SKIN MELTED AWAY AND HIS EYEBALLS EXPLODED!
AAH
REPLAY
LOOK.
THERE IS NO MISTAKE
WELL DONE, BOLT!
THIS TIME FOR SURE, HE IS DEFEATED, ISN'T HE!?
MASTER TOMOHISA
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I-IT HIT HIM!

CAPTAIN OF THE GUARD... BOLT, IS VICTORIOUS!

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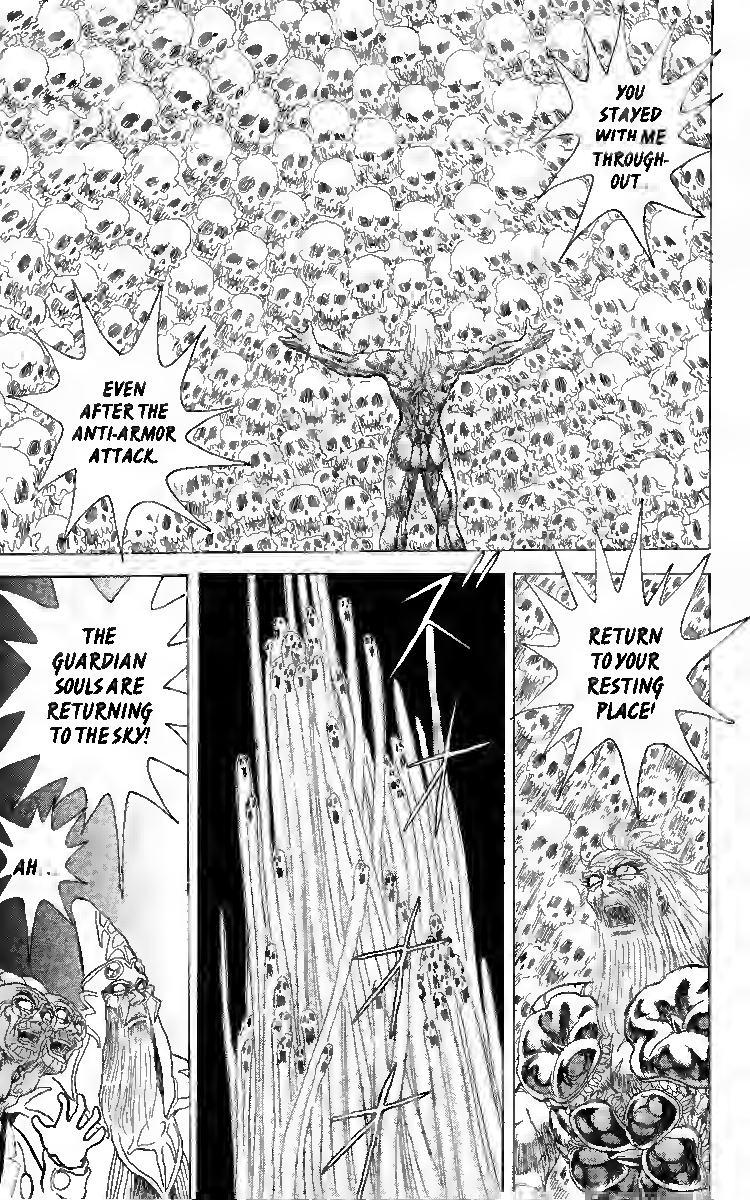
MY DEAR FOUR HUNDRED SOULS!
TOGETHER WITH SHIN AND ITS GUARDIAN SOULS...


YOU STAYED WITH ME THROUGH-OUT
EVEN AFTER THE ANTI-ARMOR ATTACK.
RETURN TO YOUR RESTING PLACE!
THE GUARDIAN SOULS ARE RETURNING TO THE SKY!
AH..

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HOW BEAUTIFUL!
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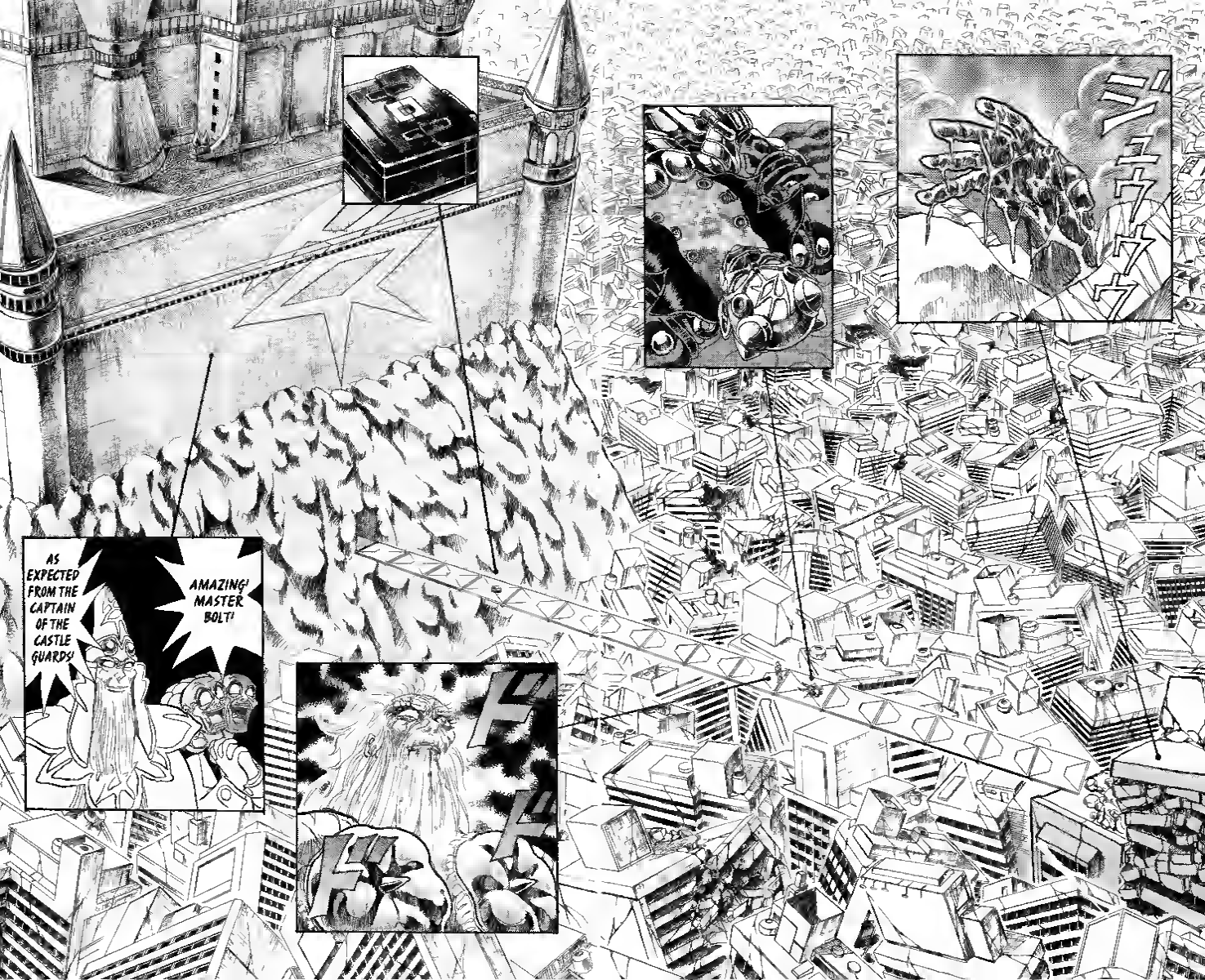
EPISODE FORTY-SEVEN, MEAT BUG


AS EXPECTED FROM THE CAPTAIN OF THE CASTLE GUARDS!
AMAZING! MASTER BOLT!
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...WHAT YOU'VE GOT!
LET'S SEE...
RIGHT HERE!
I'LL RIDDLE YOU WITH BULLETS!
THAT PEST NEVER DIES!

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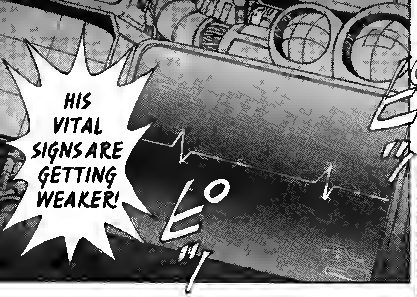
AH!
LOOK! BEHIND KAKUGO!
WAIT, GALILEO!

THEY'VE JOINED TOGETHER AND BECOME GIGANTIC!
A MEAT BUG!
UH...
THE MEAT BUG IS...
AAH
GUH

...EATING HIM!
GULP!
THE MEAT BUG IS ACTUALLY MADE OF HUMANS THAT COULD NOT BECOME TACTICAL FIENDS!
HUMAN
AHA HAHA!


HIS VITAL SIGNS ARE GETTING WEAKER!
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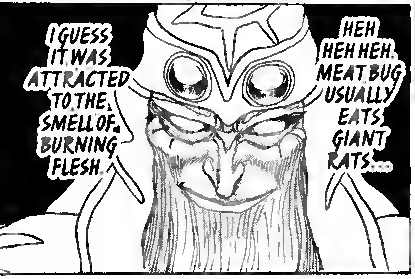
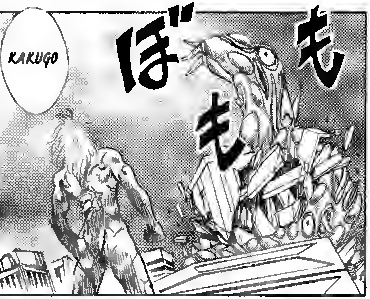

I GUESS IT WAS ATTRACTED TO THE SMELL OF BURNING FLESH.
HEH HEH HEH. MEAT BUG USUALLY EATS GIANT RATS...

KAKUGO HAGAKURE WAS EATEN BY THE VERY SAME THING HE'S BEEN TRYING TO PROTECT!
HOW IRONIC!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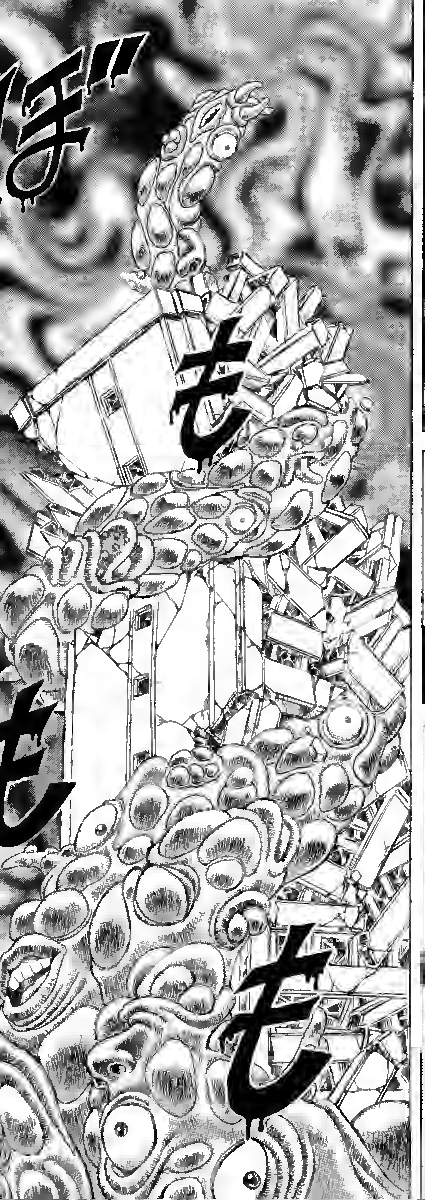
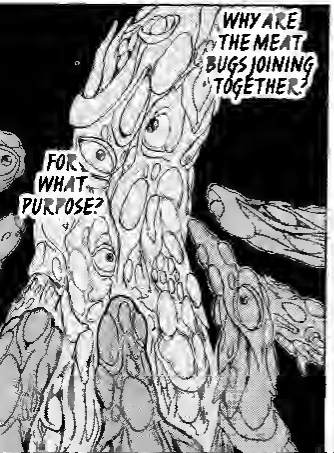
...TO BE SWALLOWED BY THAT UNNATURAL MASS OF INFERIOR HUMANS...!!
I WANTED TO DESTROY YOU WITH MY OWN HAND, BUT...

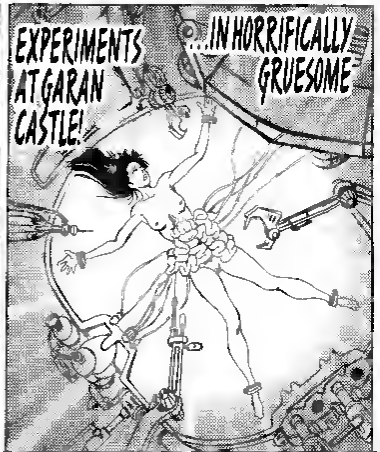
MEAT BUGS MIGHT BE MADE OF FAILURES BUT ITS ENERGY SOURCE IS, JUST LIKE ANY TACTICAL FIEND...
OF COURSE, MASTER TOMOHISA.
...HUMAN SPINAL FLUID!

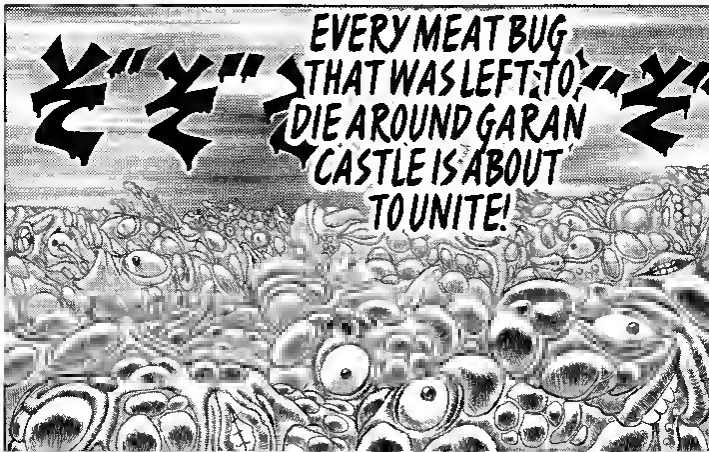
IT IS GOD'S WILL THAT YOU DIE THIS WAY...
ISN'T IT SO, MASTER HARARA?


IN ANY CASE, THAT MEAT BUG IS ENORMOUS.
THEY HAVE FUSED INTO A SINGLE CREATURE
DOZENS OF MEAT BUGS HAVE JOINED TOGETHER.
THEY MUST BE STARVING.
LIKE PIRANHA THAT SWARM AROUND THEIR PREY!

THERE MUST BE A THOUSAND!?
OR TWO THOUSAND!?


WHY ARE THE MEAT BUGS JOINING TOGETHER?
FOR WHAT PURPOSE?


EXPERIMENTS AT GARAN CASTLE!
...IN HORRIFICALLY GRUESOME


EVERY MEAT BUG THAT WAS LEFT TO DIE AROUND GARAN CASTLE IS ABOUT TO UNITE!

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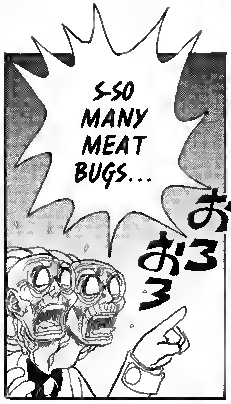
S-SO MANY MEAT BUGS...
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H-HOW DISTURBING!
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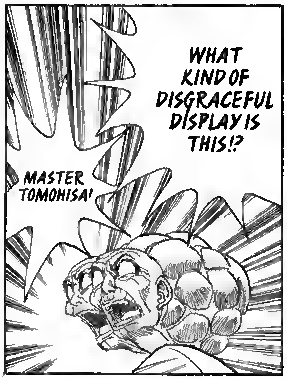
DISTURBING INDEED!


WHAT KIND OF DISGRACEFUL DISPLAY IS THIS!?
MASTER TOMOHISA!

HOW DARE THEY ENGAGE IN SUCH A DISGUSTING SPECTACLE IN FRONT OF THE CASTLE!
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BECAUSE THEY WERE FAILURES!
MEAT BUGS CANNOT ATTACK!
NO NEED TO PANIC!
WHAT I FEAR IS...
I DO NOT FEAR THE MEAT BUGS!

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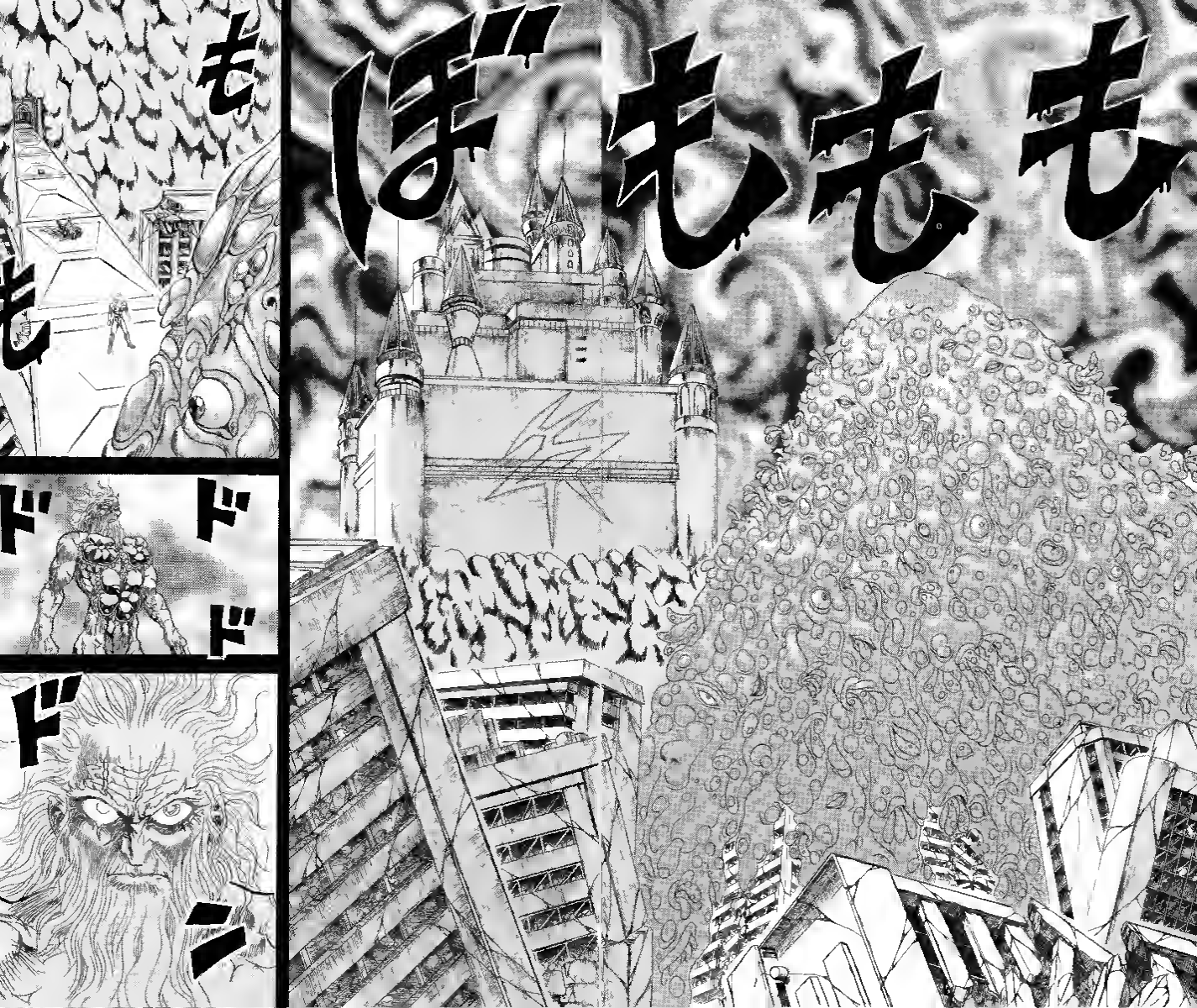
EPISODE FORTY-EIGHT, DEVOTION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CLIK, CLIK, CLIK CLIK
TAKE THIS, MEAT BUGS!
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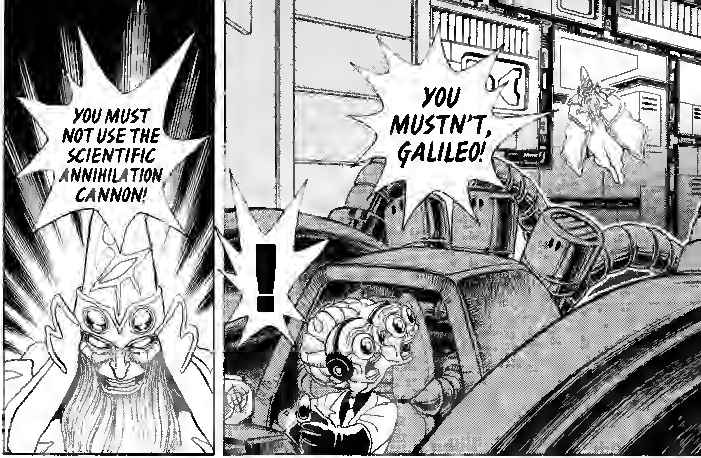
NOTHING SO REPULSIVE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO EXIST!
VILE MEATBUG I'LL SPLIT YOU INTO ATOMS!
SCIENTIFIC ANNIHILATION CANNON, GALILEO MODEL


YOU MUST NOT USE THE SCIENTIFIC ANNIHILATION CANNON!
YOU MUSTN'T, GALILEO!
!

IT WILL LEAVE THE SURROUNDING EARTH CONTAMINATED AS WELL!
IF YOU DO, IT WILL NOT ONLY KILL THE MEAT BUGS...

HOWEVER, MASTER TOMOHISA!
...WANT SOMETHING LIKE THAT TO HAPPEN.
MASTER HARARA WOULD NEVER...

MEAT BUGS ARE NOTHING BUT MISERABLE WASTE.
I AM WELL AWARE OF THAT...
HOWEVER...
WE CANNOT JUST LET IT BE...
...CAN NOT HELP...
THAT IS WHY, I, GALILEO
...BUT TO WORRY!
THAT MAN IS INSIDE OF IT!
FOR THE SAKE OF MASTER HARARA!
MASTER TOMOHISA!
ON ONE OCCASION HE WAS TRANSFORMED INTO A TACTICAL FIEND AND YET MANAGED TO CHANGE HIMSELF BACK
HMM, HE DOES HAVE A POINT!

TARGET, MEAT BUG, DEAD AHEAD! YOU WILL HAVE ONLY ONE SHOT!
PREPARE TO FIRE THE SCIENTIFIC ANNIHILATION CANNON!
PROBABILITY OF HITTING THE TARGET 200%
I COULD HIT IT WITH MY EYES CLOSED FROM THIS DISTANCE!
READY!

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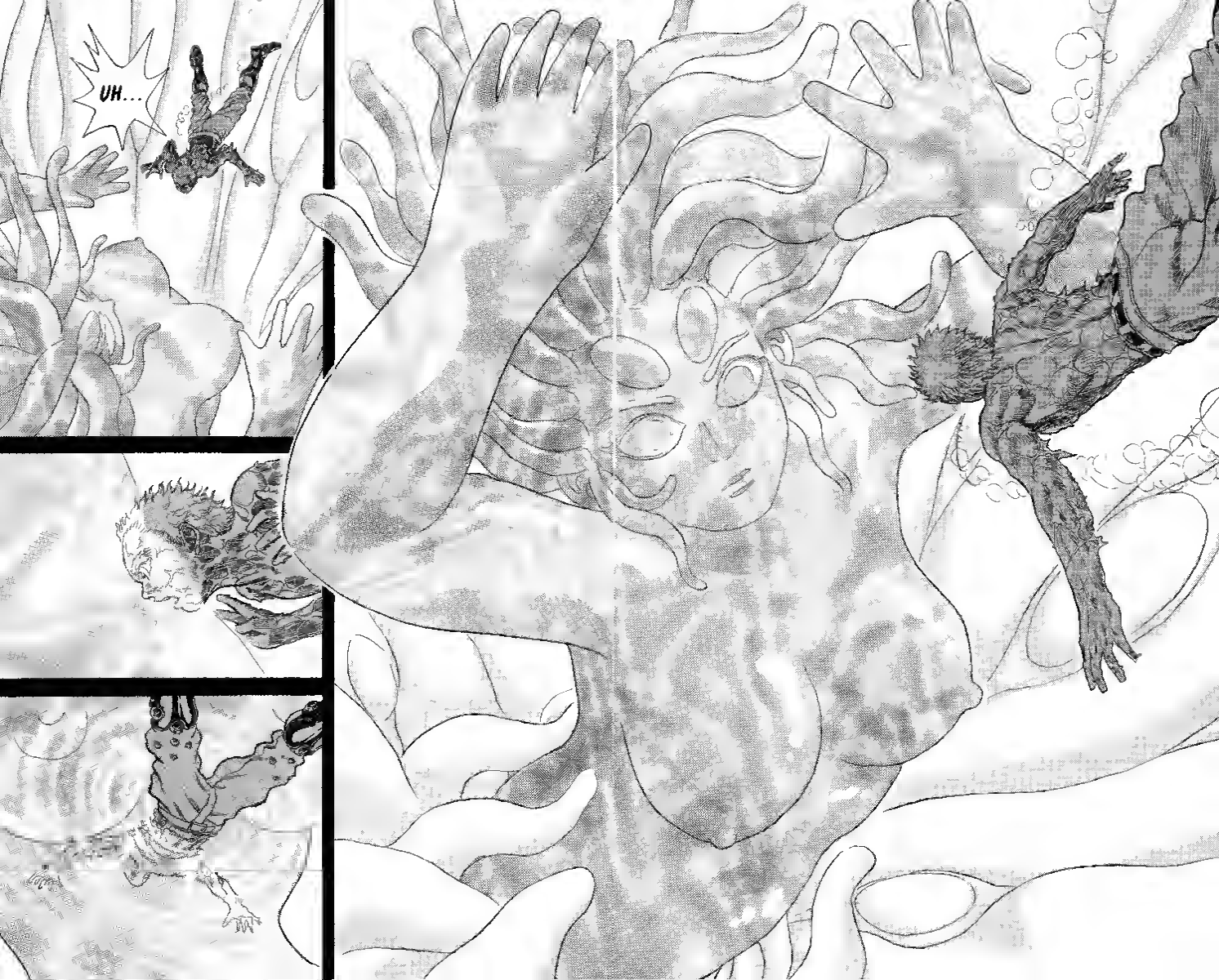
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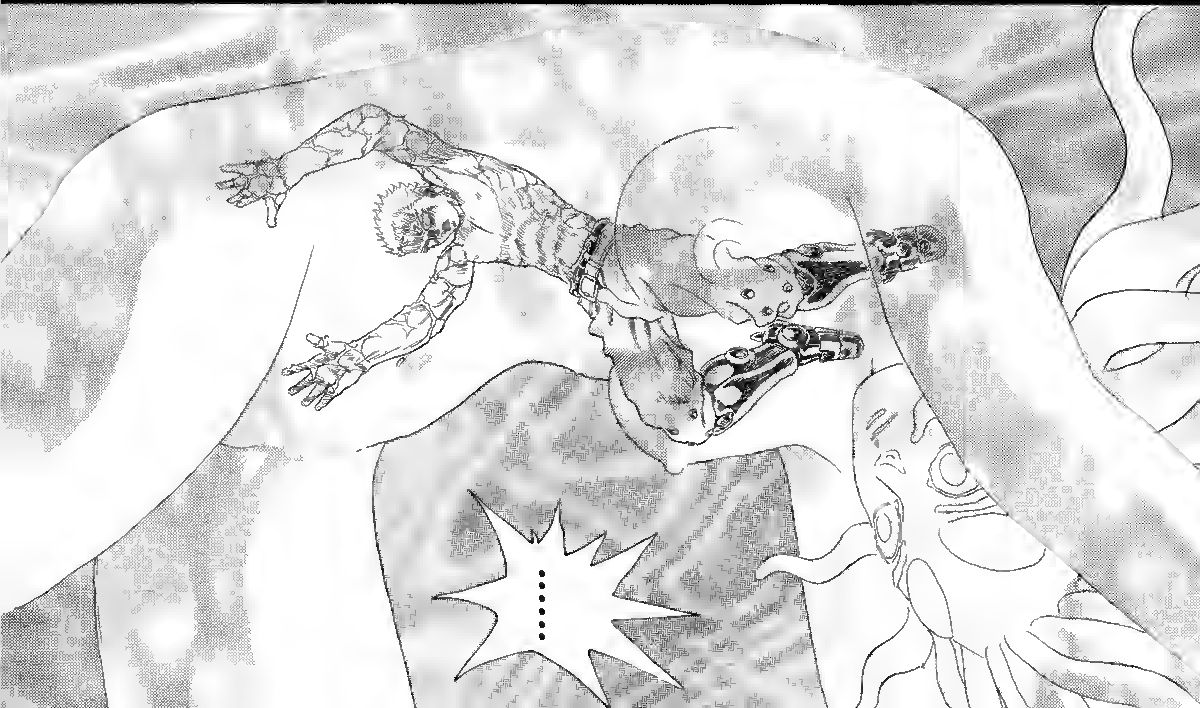

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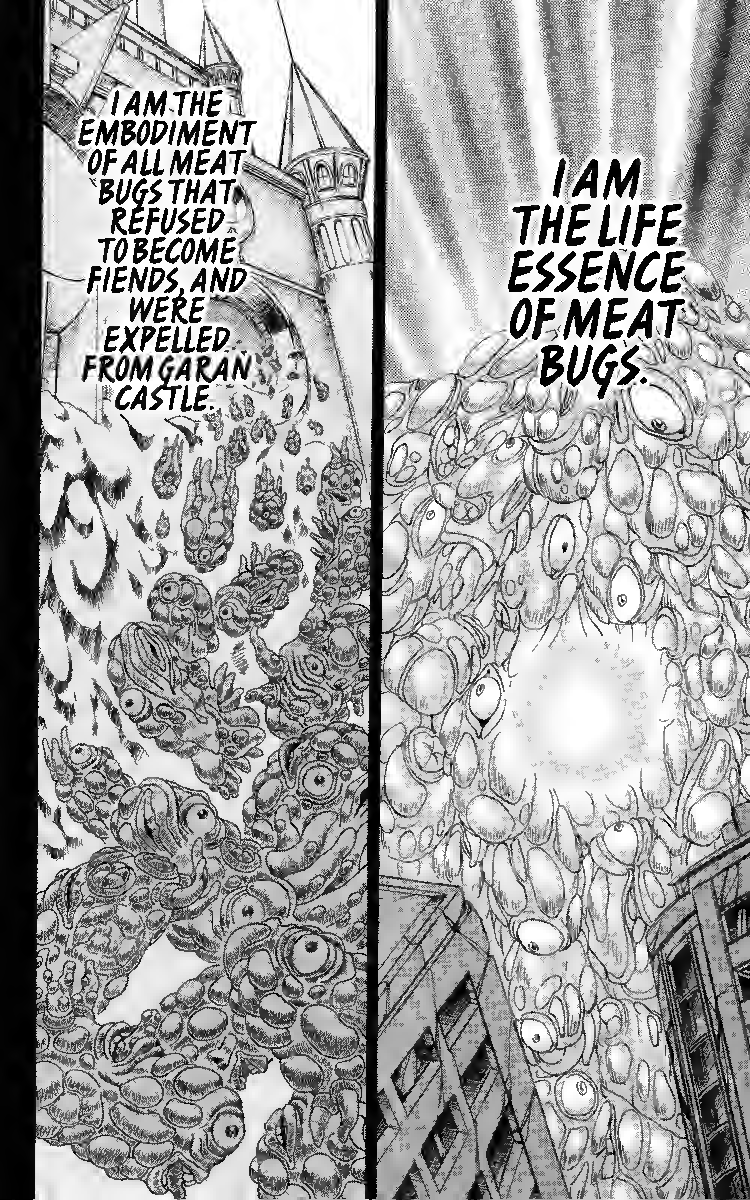
I AM THE EMBODIMENT OF ALL MEAT BUGS THAT REFUSED TO BECOME FIENDS, AND WERE EXPELLED FROM GARAN CASTLE.
I AM THE LIFE ESSENCE OF MEAT BUGS.

INSTEAD THEY HELD HANDS TOGETHER AND NEVER SHOWED THIER DESPAIR.
THEIR BODIES' REFUSED TO TRANSFORM INTO TACTICAL 'FIENDS'.
NO MATTER HOW MUCH THEY WERE ABUSED...

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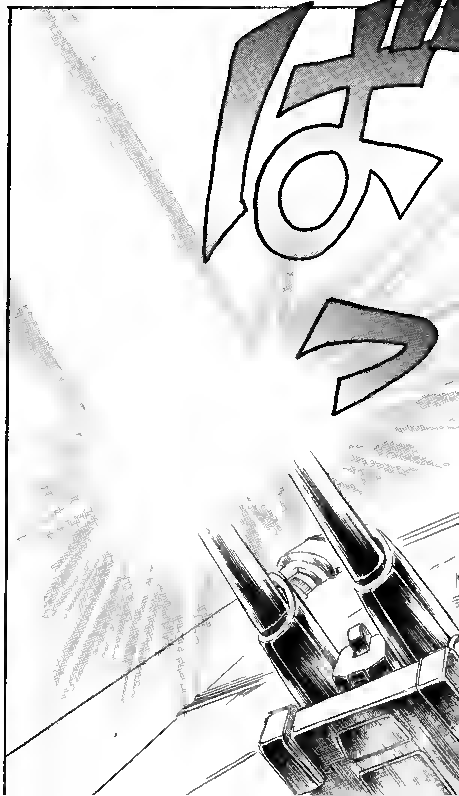
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OH NO!

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DAMN, I MISSED...
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MY AIM WAS SOOO RIGHT ON, BUT...
UM, WELL, PLEASE MASTER TOMOHISA
GALILEO...
I WILL NOT MISS A SECOND TIME!
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THIS TIME AIM WITH DEADLY ACCURACY.
DO NOT REPEAT YOUR MISTAKE

I HAVE NO POWER..
...TO FIGHT FOR YOU...
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BUT I CAN..
...HEAL YOUR WOUNDS!

第四十九話 大命中
EPISODE FORTY-NINE, BULL'S EYE

WHERE ARE YOU?
HAGAKURE!
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I AM HERE!
RIGHT HERE!
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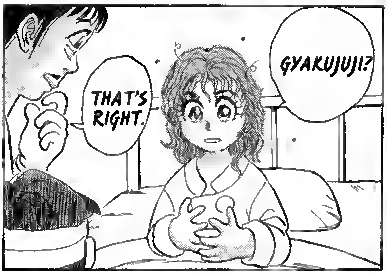
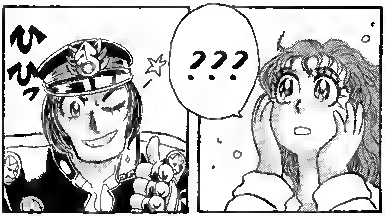
TSUMIKO!

TAKE MY HAND!
YES!

AAH!
HUH?


THAT'S RIGHT.
GYAKUJUJI?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DON'T WORRY YOU'RE AT GYAKUJUJI SCHOOL.
WHAT HAPPENED TO ME?

AFTER YOU SAW HAGAKURE LEAVE..
...YOU JUST FAINTED.
I GAVE YOU A PIGGYBACK RIDE TO GYAKUJUJI
THAT MUST'VE BEEN TOUGH.
'CAUSE HE'S SO FAT
TSUMIKO, YOU'RE VERY LUCKY
I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE OKAY.
THANK YOU, HAOKA.
DON'T MENTION IT.

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TSUMIKO!
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THANK YOU.
THANK YOU ALL.
WE'RE SO GLAD TO HAVE YOU BACK, TSUMIKO.
WE WERE SO WORRIED WHEN WE HEARD THAT YOU'D BEEN KIDNAPPED, BUT...
SO THEY WAITED FOR YOU IN THE CLASSROOM
EVERYONE WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU
HE'S STILL...
HAGAKURE IS...
I WAS ABLE TO COME BACK, YOU GUYS, BUT..
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EARTH-
QUAKE!
WHAT IS
THAT!?
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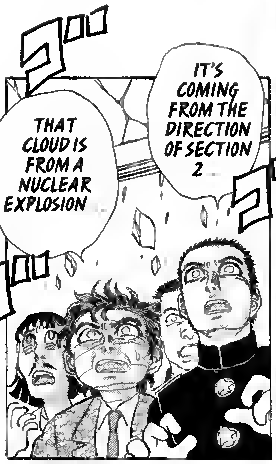
IT'S COMING FROM THE DIRECTION OF SECTION 2
THAT CLOUD IS FROM A NUCLEAR EXPLOSION

I-IT'S WAR...
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HAGAKURA...

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THIS TIME IS FOR SURE!
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YOUR REPUTATION AS HEAD OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IS ON THE LINE!
YOU KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS, DON'T YOU?
GALILEO!
DO NOT WORRY, MASTER TOMOHISA!
I MOST CERTAINLY DO!

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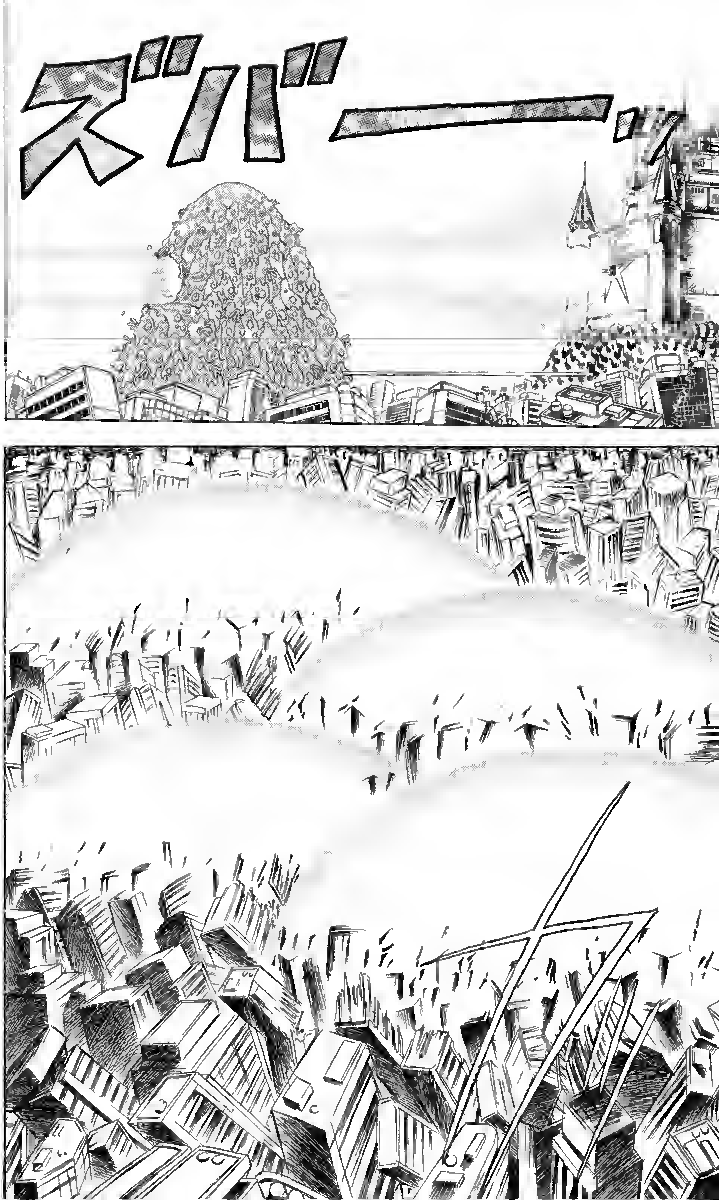
I WILL BLOW THE MEAT BUG INTO PIECES, ALONG WITH KAKUGO INSIDE!
YOU CAN HAVE GREAT FAITH IN MY SECOND SHOT!
IT WILL BE A BULL'S EYE!
VERY WELL!
BUT BECAUSE I MISSED ONCE..
SOMEONE WHO HAS NEVER FAILED MIGHT BE OVER-CONFIDENT!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HALLELUJAH!
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TAKE A LOOK, MASTER TOMOHISA!
MY CANNON SHOT A HUGE HOLE THROUGH THE MEAT BUG'S BODY!
I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU TO MODULATE THE ENERGY LEVEL....
AND HOW!
THE LION IS FIERCE AGAINST EVEN THE WEAKEST PREY
YOU IMBECILE!

LOOK AT THE CITY!
AAH.
MASTER TOMOHISA, WHAT HAVE I DONE?
NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY MASTER HARARA MADE YOU DO THE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH
AND DID NOT SEND YOU ON TO THE BATTLE-FIELD

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JUST LIKE A HUMAN...
WHEN ONE PICKS UP ARMS, IT IS EASY TO FORGET WHAT SHOULDN'T BE FORGOTTEN...
PLEASE FORGIVE ME, MASTER HARARA
AAH...
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IN THE HEAT OF BATTLE, I HAVE FORGOTTEN TO APPRECIATE OUR MOTHER EARTH
HEAD OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, GALILEO

THE MEAT BUG IS FALLING APART!
GALILEO! BRING ME HIS CORPSE!
YES, SIR!

C-CAN IT BE...
WHA...
SOMETHING IS ALIVE!
IT'S WHAT YOU'D EXPECT AFTER TAKING A HIT FROM THE SCIENTIFIC ANNIHILATION CANNON!
NO LIFE SIGNS DETECTED!

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WH-
WHAT THE HELL!?
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第五十話 七生
IS IT A MEAT BUG?
EPISODE FIFTY, SEVEN LIVES

IT'S WOBBLING LIKE JELLO
I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS
IT'S A NEW KIND OF MEAT BUG!
GALILEO!

EVEN I AM MORE POWERFUL!
NO FANGS! NO CLAWS! NO MUSCLE! NO POISON CONTAINED IN ITS BODY FLUID! ON THE WHOLE, THE FIGHTING ABILITY OF THIS MUTILATED MEAT BUG IS THAT OF A FIVE-YEAR OLD!
SINCE GALILEO IS A COWARD, HIS BRAIN IS WELL ADAPTED TO ANALYZE THE THREAT POSED BY THE TRANSPARENT CREATURE.
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I MUST PROTECT THE EMBRYO!
NO!
WHAT DOES A WOBBLY MEAT BUG LIKE YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING HERE?
YOU THERE!

WHAT THE!
BUT IT'S STILL GOING TO BE A WHILE BEFORE HE AWAKES FROM THE ANESTHETIC.
HIS WOUND HAS ALREADY HEALED...
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I-IS IT-
WHAT'S THAT IN HER STOMACH! HUH?
WHAT A...
...DIS-COVERY!
IT MUST BE IT!
THAT'S IT!

I'M NOT TOO FAMILIAR WITH MEAT BUG BABIES!
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TO EXHAUSTION, BUT...
I'VE STUDIED HUMAN BABIES...
I WON'T LET YOU TAKE HIM!
HOW DID A REPULSIVE CREATURE LIKE YOU GET PREGNANT?!
HEY BITCH!

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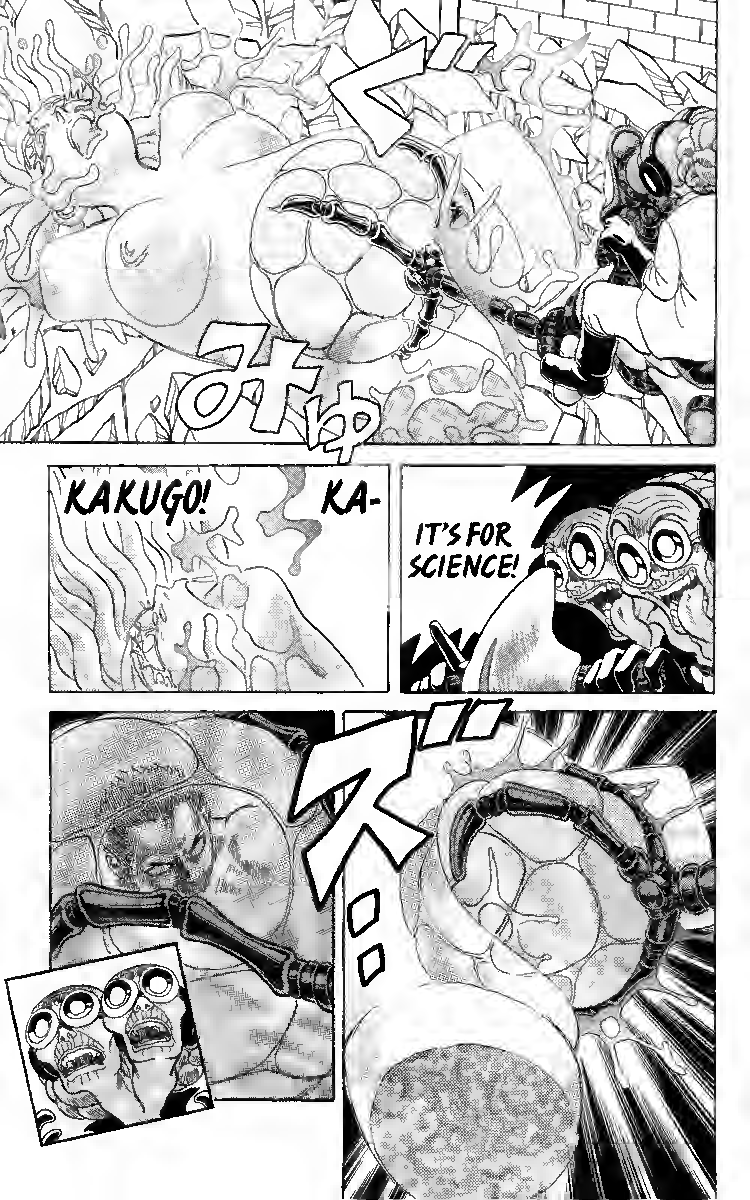
D-DAMN YOU!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IT'S FOR SCIENCE!

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AAAH!

DON'T MOVE!
SINCE GALILEO IS A COWARD HIS BRAIN IS WELL ADAPTED TO ANALYZE THE THREAT POSED BY...
ZERO FORM DEFENSE! IMPACT! SUPER SONIC VIBRATION! HEAVY KICK! ZERO FORM, IRON BALLS! SPECIAL ASSAULT MODE! JUSTICE
THE FIGHTING ABILITY OF KAKUGO HAGAKURE IS...
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WHY AREN'T YOU DEAD?
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AWA WAWA WA...

BRAVE CREATURES WITH HUMAN HEARTS BEATING INSIDE THEM
THOSE WHO CLUNG TO THEIR HUMANITY
EVEN THOUGH A SCUMBAG LIKE YOU DESTROYED MY BODY
I DON'T GET IT! I JUST DON'T GET IT!
WHAT? LIFE FROM MEAT BUGS?
AND GAVE ME NEW LIFE!
BECAME ONE...

DIE!
YA!

DWAH
KAKUGO'S LAST ZERO FORM IRON BALL TRANSFORMED HIS FOREHEAD INTO STEEL, AND REPELLED THE BULLET!
EEK!
COUNTER -ATTACK!

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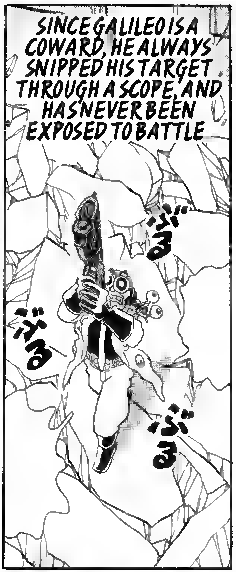
WAAAH

NOW KAKUGO APPEARS LIKE THIS IN HIS EYES...


SINCE GALILEO IS A COWARD, HE ALWAYS SNIPPED HIS TARGET THROUGH A SCOPE, AND HAS NEVER BEEN EXPOSED TO BATTLE
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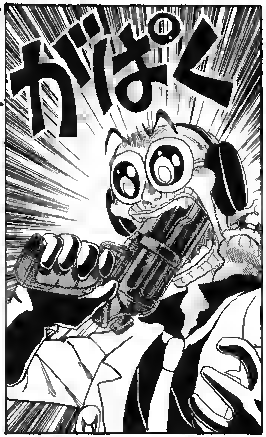
NO, YOU WON'T!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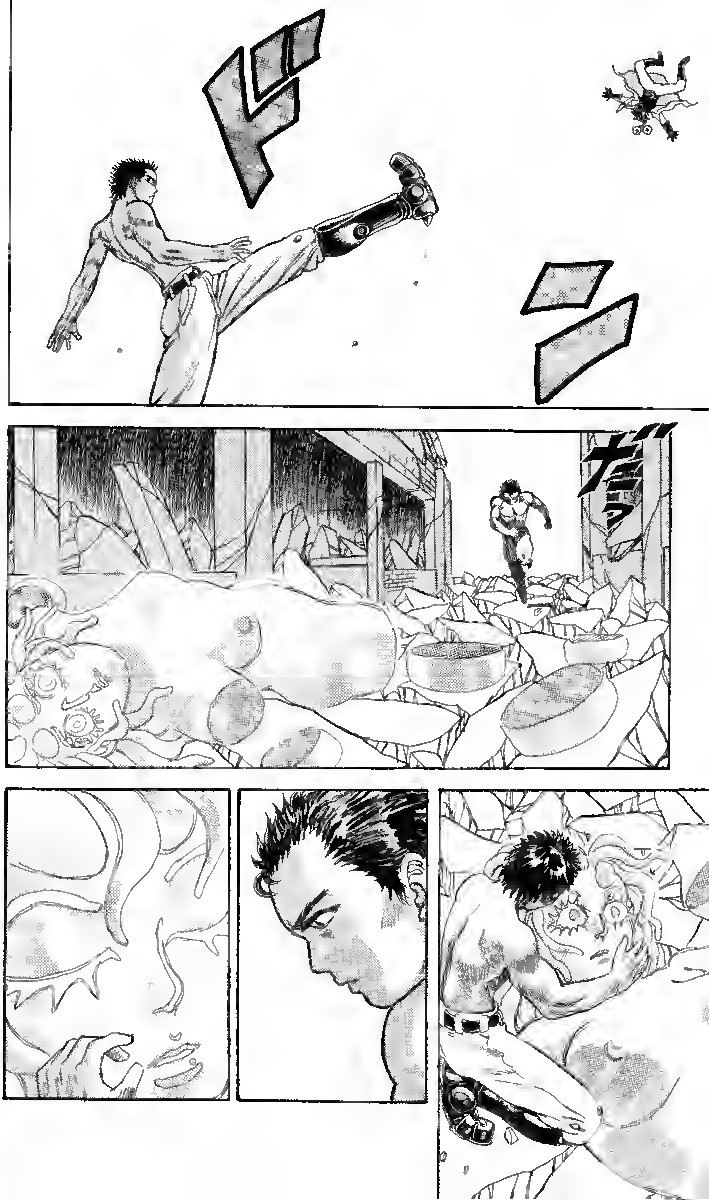
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THANK YOU!
YOU DID THIS FOR ME!
EXIT

HUMAN DIGNITY STILL WALKS THE EARTH!
EVIL FIENDS!
HERE I COME

第五十一話
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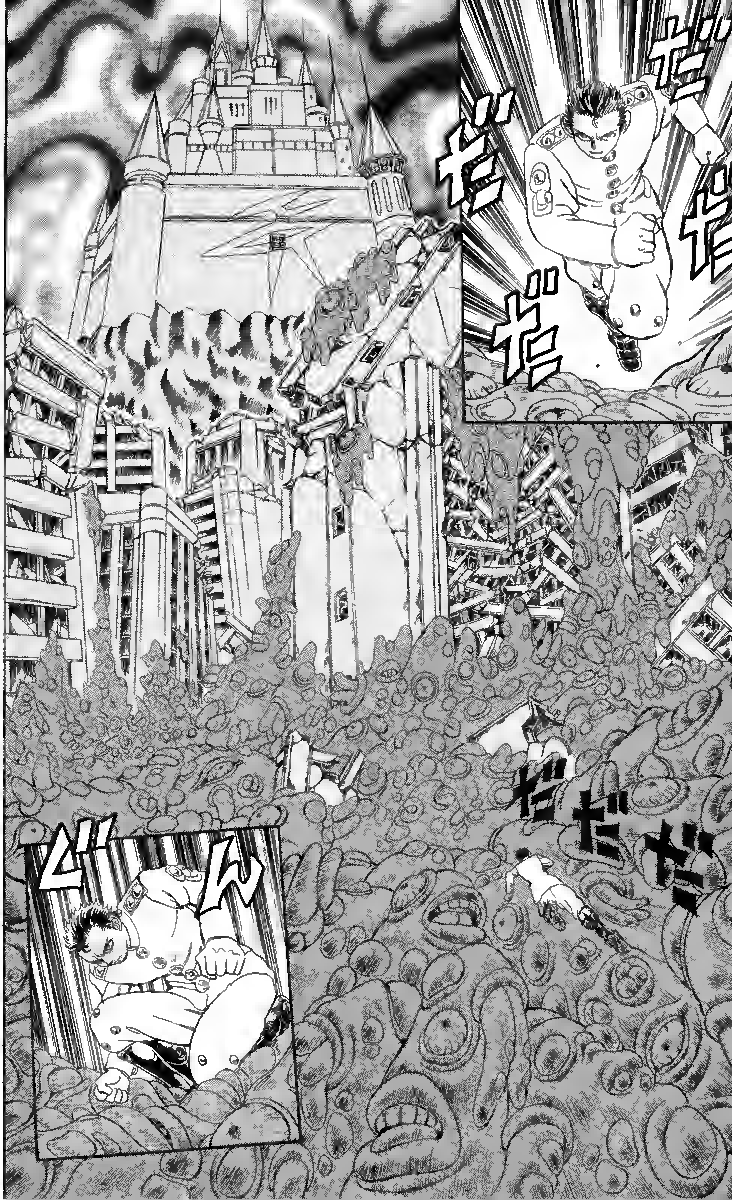
EPISODE FIFTY-ONE, THE GREAT GATE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SECTION 4!
SECTION 2 IS COMPLETELY GONE
SECTION 3 IS DESTROYED
HORIE!
GYAKUJUJI SCHOOL!
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AH...
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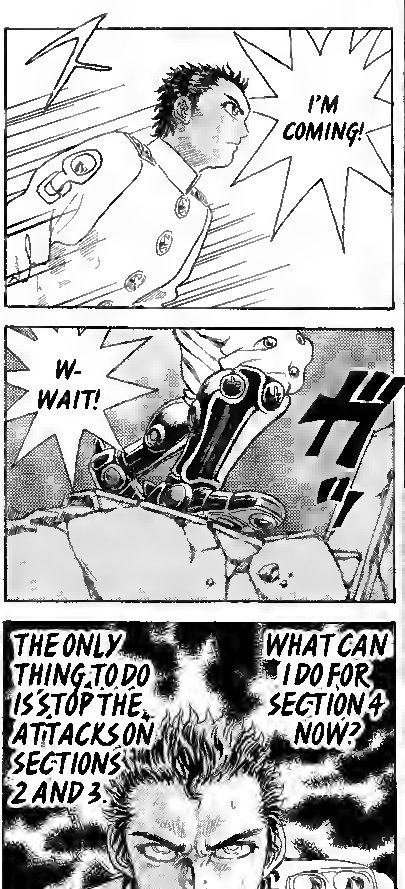
I'M COMING!
W-WAIT!
THE ONLY THING TO DO IS STOP THE ATTACKS ON SECTIONS 2 AND 3.
WHAT CAN I DO FOR SECTION 4 NOW?

TSUMIKO!

IF HARARA WERE TO AWAKEN...
THE WHOLE WORLD WILL BECOME HELL!

DON'T BE SWAYED BY YOUR FEELINGS.
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DON'T BE SWAYED BY YOUR FEELINGS.
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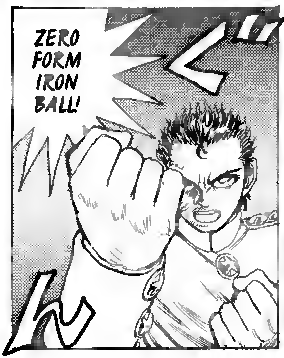
ZERO FORM IRON BALL!
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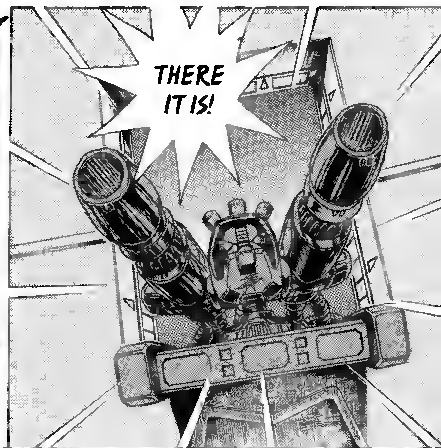
THERE IT IS!

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ADVANCED ANTI-ARMOR!
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EXPLODE!
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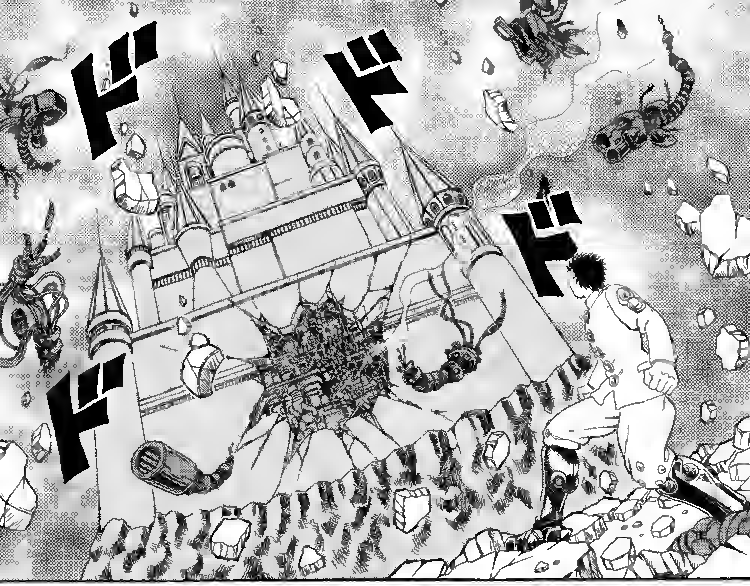
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ALL OF YOU IN GYAKUJUJI SCHOOL!
FIGHT ON COURAGEOUSLY!

PLEASE STAY ALIVE, HORIE!

I MUST DISCHARGE MY DUTY!

ZERO!
THEY HAVE TAKEN ZERO!
ZERO!
YOU HAVE GAINED ENTRANCE TO GARAN CASTLE BEFORE !!
GOOD WORK, ZERO!
!
NOT A PROBLEM!
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BOLT!

IMPRESSIVE!
EVEN WITH A NUCLEAR WEAPON, EVEN WITH ADVANCED ANTI-ARMOR
THIS GATE YOU ARE GUARDING CANNOT BE PENETRATED!
HOW-EVER!

NOTHING AND NOBODY HAS BEEN ABLE TO GET THROUGH THIS GATE...
BUT I, KAKUGO HAGAKURE, WILL!
ALL I NEED TO SAY IS...
...ONE WORD!
ZERO FORM DEFENSE SECRET TECHNIQUE...

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JUSTICE!
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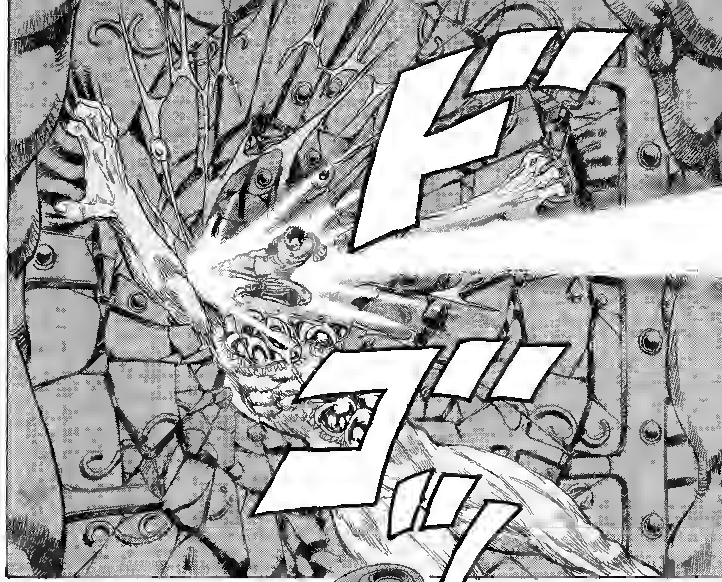
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THE GATE HAS BEEN BREACHED!

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EPISODE FIFTY-TWO, AWAKENING

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KAKUGO HAGAKURE APPEARS AT GARAN CASTLE!
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OH—
AH...
!
MASTER HARARA!

KAGENARI! HE IS MOVING!
HE IS FINALLY AWAKENING!
HM...
BLOB!
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NO! NE'S COMING!
MASTER HARARA! PLEASE OPEN YOUR EYES...
HM...
IF HE COMES INTO THIS ROOM RIGHT NOW...
WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO?
I HATE TO ADMIT IT; BUT I AM NOT CERTAIN THAT WE POSSESS THE STRENGTH TO DEFEAT HIM
HOWEVER, BOLT, LEADER OF THE CASTLE GUARDS, HAVING BEEN DEFEATED...
THAT CANNOT HAPPEN!
THAT VICIOUS ANIMAL WILL ATTACK THE MASTER IN HIS SLEEP

LET US
TAKE CARE OF THIS!
THE MASTER OF THE CASTLE'S PRIVATE NIGHT-TIME SERVANTS
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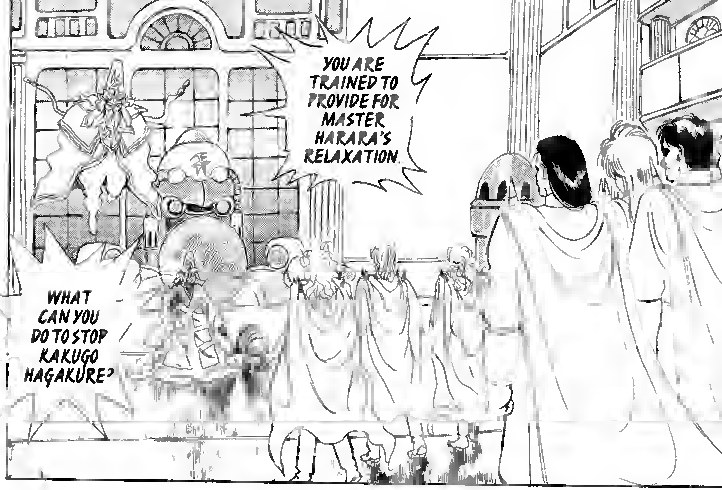
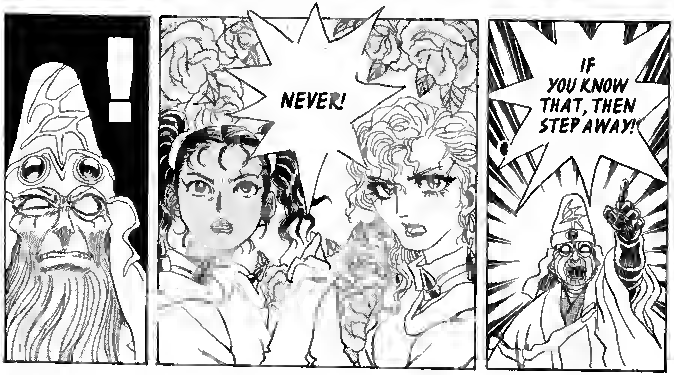
YOUR PRETTY FACES CAN'T HELP US NOW!
BE GONE, NIGHT-TIME SERVANTS!


YOU ARE TRAINED TO PROVIDE FOR MASTER HARARA'S RELAXATION.
WHAT CAN YOU DO TO STOP KAKUGO HAGAKURE?

MASTER HARARA AND NO ONE ELSE!
THE ONE WHO WILL DEFEAT KAKUGO HAGAKURE IS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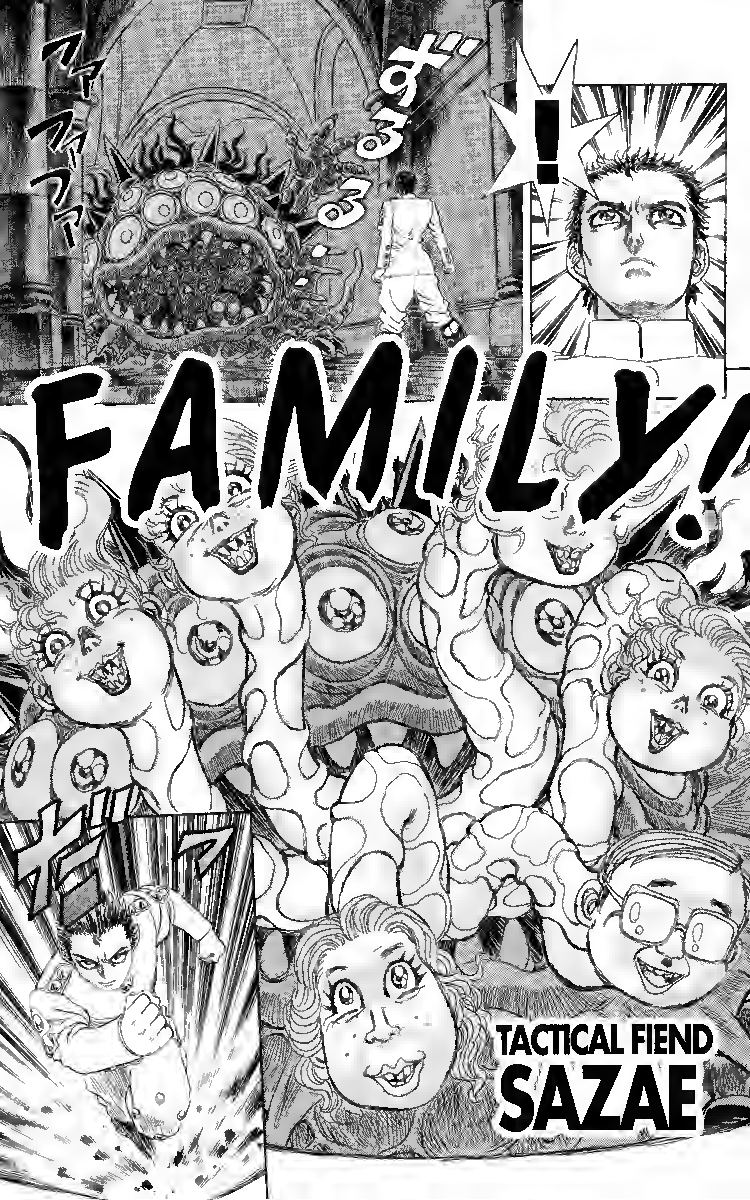
NEVER!
IF YOU KNOW THAT, THEN STEP AWAY!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FAMILY!
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TACTICAL FIEND
SAZAE

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WE, THE NIGHTTIME SERVANTS, HAVE SPENT MANY NIGHTS WITH MASTER HARARA.
WE WERE GIVEN THE GREAT HONOR OF DREAMING WITH HIM.
WE FOLLOW THE GRACIOUS MIND OF MASTER HARARA...
...TO THE WORLD THAT MASTER HARARA DREAMS...

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ONLY WE, THE NIGHTTIME SERVANTS, ARE ALLOWED
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W-WHAT ON EARTH!
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WE'RE GOING TO WAKE UP MASTER HARARA!
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...TO GO TO MASTER HARARA'S DREAM WORLD!
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INTO HIS DREAM!
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INTO THE DREAM!
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HARA!
MASTER
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HM...
MASTER HARARA!
MASTER HARARA

NO FAMILY COULD BE MORE INSEPARABLE!

EPISODE FIFTY-THREE: HARARA
第五十三話 散

I FEEL IT!
I FEEL HARARA'S HEART-BEAT!
HM!
HE'S THERE!

SORRY! I'M LATE AGAIN!
I CAN'T HELP IT
CAUSE MY BLOOD TYPE IS B
TACTICAL FIEND HIMIKO

OH NO, PLEASE DON'T BE ANGRY.
YOU'RE VERY SERIOUS.
YOU'RE TYPE A, AREN'T YOU?

IS MASTER HARARA ALL RIGHT?
THE LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEM IS CRYING!
LOOK!
I CANNOT SEE HIM!
HOW IS MASTER HARARA?
AAAH!

THE CORPSES OF THE NIGHTTIME SERVANTS!

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THEY HAVE BEEN SUCKED INTO A LIFE SUPPORT SPHERE!
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AAH...
ZERO FORM IRON BALL!

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MODE!
AAH!

YOU HAVE BEEN SLEEPING FOR A LONG TIME...
MASTER HARARA!
IT'S STILL DARK OUT, I SEE.
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WHILE YOU WERE ASLEEP...
MASTER HARARA...
RAI, CHIDORURO, AND MASTER BOLT ARE ALL...
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M-MASTER HARAKA!
WHA!
KAGENARI
CAN YOU SEE IT?
AH!
AAAH!

OOH!
I SAW IT WITH MY OWN EYES.
THEY ARE ALIVE. THEY ARE SMILING.
WHAT A GREAT HONOR!
THAT'S RIGHT! MY HEART IS...
...FOR ALL OF YOU!
WHEN WE PERISH IN OUR SUICIDE ATTACK...
WE WILL SLEEP IN MASTER HARARA'S HEART...

WHAT'S WRONG, SERVANTS -IN TRAIN-ING?
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...IT HAS BEEN A WHILE SINCE MASTER HARARA HAS FOUGHT!
HOW-EVER
I KNOW
KAKUGO HAGAKURE IS ALREADY ON THE CASTLE GROUNDS
MASTER HARARA
FINE! TRY ME!
AFRAID SO!
ARE YOU SAYING I MIGHT'VE LOST MY TOUCH?

FOR MASTER HARARA!
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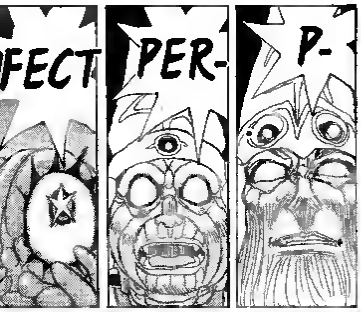
SPIRAL!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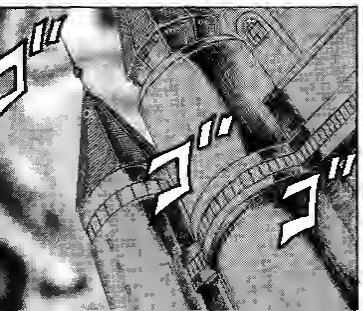
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THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE IN THE BLOOD THAT...
...RUNS INSIDE HUMAN BEINGS!
ALL BLOOD IS RED!
APOCALYPSE ZERO VOL. 6 THE END

- **TAKAYUKI YAMAGUCHI**
- **ASSISTANTS**

TOORU HOSOKURA

MY STOMACH IS GETTING HOT...

NOBUHIRO NASU

NASU HERE. PEOPLE'S MINDS CHANGE EASILY. THERE ARE OFTEN TIMES WHEN WHAT I THOUGHT YESTERDAY IS NOT WHAT I THINK TODAY. SO I DECIDED NOT TO ANNIHILATE MANKIND. IT'S TRUE.

TAKASHI OZAKI

I WENT TO VENUS IN A UFO THE OTHER DAY. I BEGGED THE KING OF VENUS NOT TO INVADE EARTH. HE'S SUCH A GREAT MAN THAT HE UNDERSTOOD. EARTH IS AT PEACE BECAUSE OF ME, BUT I DON'T NEED ANY GIFTS OR ANYTHING. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. IT'S ALL A LIE.

KURENAI X

PENIS! JUSTICE!

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FOR A SERIES TO CONTINUE FOR SIX VOLUMES, A "GOOD" STORY ISN'T ENOUGH TO KEEP THE READERS' INTEREST. THE STORY HAS TO BE EXCELLENT. WELL, YOU'VE BEEN WITH ME THIS FAR, AND I'M VERY INTERESTED TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK OF MY STORY SO FAR.

BY:
HOSOKURA

BY:
NASU

I HOPE THAT YOU WILL BE WITH ME UNTIL THE END. READING SMALL DRAWINGS PACKED MINUTELY INSIDE SMALL FRAMES MIGHT TIRE YOUR EYES. BUT PLEASE REMAIN IN YOUR SEATS, AND ENJOY THE GRAND FINALE. I APPRECIATE YOUR ATTENTION.

BY:
KURENAI X

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